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In the application of:

Bruce W. McGAUGHEY et al.

Serial No.: 10/713,754

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
COMMUNICATING SIMULATION
SOLUTIONS BETWEEN CIRCUIT
COMPONENTS IN A HIERARCHICAL
DATA STRUCTURE

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Group Art Unit: 2123

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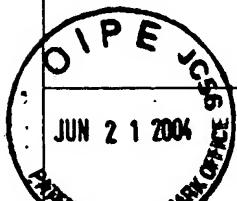
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	1.	08/29/1995	5,446,676	Huang et al.			
	2.	09/03/1996	5,553,008	Huang et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER DOCUMENTS

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	3.	Celestry Design Technologies, Inc. (2001). <u>Celestry BSIM Pro+™ Basic Operations, User Manual, Version 2001.3, Table of Contents, pages iii-xiii.</u>
	4.	Celestry Design Technologies, Inc. (2001). <u>Celestry BSIM Pro+™ Device Modeling Guide, Version 2001.3, Table of Contents, pages iii-xii.</u>

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